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SUBJECT: GREEK VIEWS ON MILITARY COMMITTEE ASSESSMENT OF
IMPLICATIONS OF SUSPENSION OF US BASE OPERATIONS IN
TURKEY AND ON DEEP EXPRESS

1. GREEK PERMREP THEODOROPOULOS RAISED AUGUST 18 WITH
AMBASSADOR BRUCE DISPOSITION OF MILITARY COMMITTEE ASSESS-
MENT OF THE MILITARY IMPLICATIONS TO NATO OF THE TURKISH
SUSPENSION OF US BASE OPERATIONS IN TURKEY (IMSWM-186-75:
USDELMC 131500Z AUG 75 PASSED ALSO SECSTATE). AFTER
INDICATING THAT GREEK MIL REP WOULD NOT ASSOCIATE HIMSELF
WITH THE ASSESSMENT ON GROUNDS IT WAS INADEQUATE,
THEODOROPOULOS ASKED ABOUT US PLANS FOR DEALING WITH
DOCUMENT WHEN IT CAME BEFORE NAC, WHICH HAD REQUESTED
ASSESSMENT. THEODOROPOULOS SAID GOG BELIEVES NAC SHOULD
ONLY NOTE THE ASSESSMENT; ANY PROPOSALS FOR FURTHER
COUNCIL ACTION, SUCH AS RECOMMENDATIONS TO US OR
OTHERS, WOULD LEAD GREEKS TO OPEN POLLITICAL DISCUSSION
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IN THE COUNCIL THAT GOG WANTED TO AVOID.

2. FURTHER DISCUSSION, INCLUDING CONSIDERATION OF
IMPENDING SEPTEMBER TALKS BETWEEN GREECE AND ITS

ALLIES ON GREEK-NATO RELATIONS, LED THEODOROPOULOS AND BRUCE TO CONCLUDE THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE, IF POSSIBL, TO DEFER NAC DISCUSSIONS OF IMSWM-186-75, HOWEVER, THEODOROPOULOS WAS TLD THAT GUIDANCE ON THE MATTER HAD NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED BY USNATO.

3. REGARDING DEEP EXPRESS, THEODOROPOULOS VOLUNTEERED THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE EXERCISE WERE MOVING SMOOTHLY: BLANKET RIGHTS HAD BEEN GRANTED TO CINSOUTH FOR OVER-FLIGHTS INVOLVED IN THE EXERCISE; AND SACEURHAD BEEN REQUESTED TO MAKE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS SO THAT COMMAND AND CONTROL WOULD NOT PASS TO THE TURKISH COMMANDER UNTIL FORCES ACTUALLY PASSED INTO TURKISH TERRITORY. BARRING UNFORESEEN DIFFICULTIES ON THE LATTER POINT, THEODOROPOULOS BELIEVED THE EXERCISE SHOULD PROCEED SMOOTHLY.

4. RECOMMENDATION: SINCE IMSWM 186-75, WHICH WAS CIRCULATED TO ALL MIL REPS, WILL PROVIDE NAC INFORMATION IT REQUESTED IN SOME DETAIL, WE SEE NO ADVANTAGE AT THIS STAGE IN RISKING REOPENING OLD POLITICAL WOUNDS BY SUPPORTING A DISCUSSION OF THE MC ASSESSMENT IN THE NAC. RATHER, WE BELIEVE THAT LUNS, WHEN HE RESUMES HIS POST-HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES NEXT WEEK, CAN BE PERSUADED TO LET SLEEPING DOGS LIE. IN THE EVENT THE TURKS INSIST UPON A DISCUSSION OF THE ASSESSMENT,WE MAY FACE A SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT SITUATION; HOWEVER, EVEN IN THE FACE OF A SUSTAINED TURKISH EFFORT TO PLACE THE ASSESSMENT ON THE NAC AGENDA, LUNS, AS HE HAS IN THE PAST, WILL BE ABLE TO STALL FOR A TIME. ACCORDINGLY, WE RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZE US TO SOLICIT LUNS' ASSISTANCE IN DEFERRING NAC DISCUSSIONS OF IMSWM 186-75.
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